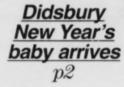
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Didsbury teen shoots for gold medal

CUNNINGHAM Didsbury Review

Fifteen-year-old Nic Rudy has a gold medal firmly in

The Didsbury archer is ading to the 2010 Alberta Winter Games in February after securing first place in

a Calgary qualifying event.
"I am really excited about going to the games. This is a big step for me and it could mean moving on to other tournaments," Rudy said.

This will be his second tournament since he started shooting competitively last summer and a testament to his talent, says head coach, Lindsay Struthers.

She heard of the young Didsbury High student from

"This game is big and can throw a kid off balance if he has never done it before. Nic just needs to stay calm,"

LINDSAY STRUTHERS

her father. Rudy had gone into the Calgary Archery Centre to buy a bow and was testing out the equipment with Struther's father an employee there - recognized his potential.

"We are always on the lookout for athletes with the potential to get into our high performance program which puts archers in tournaments like the winter

games," she said.
"We invited Nic to the club and he's doing well. It's very exciting.'

Struthers said archers usually take two years to master the sport; Rudy did Struthers it in six months. He has plans to take his skills to tournaments like the Canada Winter Games in

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2011 and Mother of All Shoots in Red Deer at the end of February.
"I caught onto this real

quick...and I am not sure if that's because I used to hunt with a bow or becau I am a third generation shooter," he said.

His grandfather and father are both archers, although neither of them has put much stock into competing, he said.

On February 4-7, Rudy will begin his journey by travelling to the winter games at the Lakeland Region. Five other athletes from the Calgary club will join him

In order to take the gold, Rudy will have to move through a shoot qualifier to go head-to-head in elimina-tion rounds. Winners of elimination match up for the gold medal. He could be part of a line of archers shooting arrow for arrow to get the win.

"This game is big and can throw a kid off balance if he has never done it before. Nic just needs to stay calm," Struthers said.

He plans to

Didsbury School student is gearing up to listen to ZZ Top and ACDC tracks in an effort to forget about pressure and stay on target.

He may want top spot, but he also wants to have fun with the games, he said.

"I just hope my bow does n't fall apart when I go to shoot. It happened last week to my friend and pieces just few off like bullets. It was pretty bad," he

It also happens all the time. If his bow breaks, it could cause serious damage. The strings would snap and wind around his neck and the bow would break right where his hand holds

"I am nervous...but I love this sport. I will just keep that in mind when I go."



ROCK STEADY - Larry Flessatti throws a rock during the A Final at the 16th annual Didsbury Farm and Ranch Bonspiel, Saturday. Mark Kendze rink, dominated the Delbert Taylor rink for the championship.



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First baby arrives

Didsbury has new year's baby at Calgary's Peter Lougheed hospital

BY TAMARA CUNNINGHAM Didsbury Review

Mandy and Scott Wright weren't planning on having a New Year's delivery. In fact, they were hoping

their baby would be birthed long before the clock struck

But Brynlee Paige had other ideas.

At 12:26 a.m. on Jan. 1, the 6-pound, 10-ounce baby entered the world as the first born in 2010 at the Peter Lougheed hospital in Calgary. She is also the first baby born to Didsbury.

Mandy, 29 and Scott, 31 couldn't be prouder.

'It is still all a blur. I can't believe we had our baby on

New Year's," Mandy said.
She was induced two
weeks early on December 30 because of health com-plications and hoped her baby would arrive quickly.
"She held on for two

days...it was a long time to wait but worth every second

A week old on Friday,

Brynlee slept to the tunes of musical swing with her dad sitting nearby. Occasionally, she opened her eyes to see her new sur-roundings. She would look up at her smiling father before yawning and drifting

"She is such a precious gift. When you hold her and have her look up at you to smile and coo...it's wonderful."

SCOTT WRIGHT father

"She is such a precious gift. When you hold her and have her look up at you to smile and coo...it's wonder-ful," he said, beaming.

The couple has been

together for four years and

this is their first child.

One of their toughest tasks during Mandy's preg-nancy was picking out a name for their new daugh-

"My name is Scott and growing up there were six other kids in my class with that same name, so we were looking for something original," he said.

They scoured baby books and magazines and nar-rowed the list from 450 otential names to one Brynlee.

"We didn't want to pick the most popular name of 2010...but seeing how we had the first baby maybe we will start that trend," Scott

Two other Didsbury resireceived moment of fame as babies of the new year. Parents, Lindsey and Ryan Dietz, welcomed the arrival of fraternal twins Ethan and Jacob at 4:55 a.m. and 6:33 a.m. on January 4. The twins were the first born in 2010 the Olds Hospital and Care Centre.



Scott, 31, and wife Mandy, 29, hold Brynlee Paige Wright. She is Didsbury's first baby of the

ew resolution m weigh

BY TAMARA CUNNINGHAM

Fitness gyms expecting to tie into long lists of new year's resolutions were disappointed this month as fewer members signed up.

January is typically one of the busiest months for fitcentres as people look to start the year off on a good note.

Not so this month, say local fitness centres

"January we usually boom...but so far we are down in numbers by 25 or 30 per cent," said Julie Jensen, owner

She wonders if the recession has spilled over into

2010, making people as wary as ever in where they invest their dollars

The gym has seen six new members since January 1, even before then numbers seemed shy.

I think 2009 was a harder year than usual for us ..all gyms," Jensen said.

"I know that some gyms were scared because membership started to drop and considered closing.

Heather-Ashley Mesher, a trainer at Journey's Fitness in Didsbury, said she has also seen fewer members walk - new or regular.

Fourteen residents have signed up to tone up and trim down since early January and she hopes those numbers are just the beginning.

"We haven't seen the amount of people we'd hoped for...but maybe they are still saving their money and will come later on," Mesher said.

According to the Alberta Fitness Leadership Certification Association (AFLCA), Didsbury gyms aren't the only ones seeing dwindling clientele.

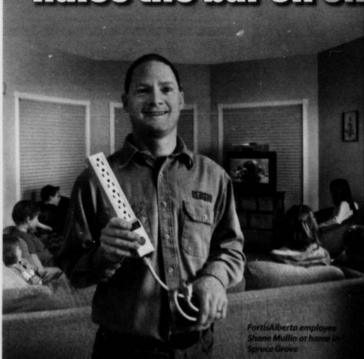
Across the province, fitness centres are reporting that esolutioners' aren't coming out in the droves they usu-

ally do, says Katherine MacKeigan, director of AFLCA.

"No one knows why exactly, but there are a lot of guesses: popularity of boot camps and dance classes, recession, home gym equipment," she said.

"We know there must be money out there, it's just going somewhere else."





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Course curbs bar violence

All bar staff trained

BY TAMARA CUNNINGHAM Didsbury Review

Servers in Didsbury are keeping closer watch over patrons this year as part of renewed efforts to curb bar violence and overconsumption of alcohol.

Since January 1, staff at bars and restaurants have been required to take mandatory training that educates them about when to cut patrons off.

The idea is to curb liquor-induced rowdiness that has become commonplace outside of lounges, said Neil Hoffman, spokesperson for Alberta Liquor and Gaming Commission.

"Bar fights used to be on the front of newspapers, but they seem to happen so often now that they are stuffed in the back pages,"

he said.

"We are hoping this program helps servers look for signs of intoxication and cut patrons off before they get to the point where they want to cause violence."

All employees except for kitchen staff are required to take the course, where previously only one staff member per shift had to have training. New employees have 30 days from their start date to complete the course.

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The mandatory requirement is the latest in a list of rules created in response to growing concerns in the serving industry about patron behaviour.

Two years ago, bar goers could no longer get happy hour specials after 8 p.m. and their drinks were limited to two after 1 a.m. Bars also had to follow minimum drink prices regulated by the commission.

Jacqueline Gamble, owner of All Jacked Up Bar and Grill doesn't mind the rules and says the mandatory training is especially welcomed.

She has always been tough on her staff to monitor customer intake and many are experienced enough to know how to curb rowdiness.

But there is nothing wrong with a refresher course, she said.

"You want waitresses to have it...because it reminds them that there is more responsibility in serving than handing over drinks," she said. Her staff has already

Her staff has already taken the mandatory session and from this point

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JACQUELINE GAMBLE owner of All Jacked Up

on, Gamble will likely only hire servers with the certification.

Amy Bales, a bartender at JD's lounge, is also supporting the training.

porting the training.

She thought she knew all she could about serving spirits when she took the online course years ago.

"I thought it'd be a little (redundant) but I discovered things I didn't know...like that I could be held liable," she said. "I had no idea and it def-

"I had no idea and it definitely has made me more careful in not over-serving someone."

Being informed also seems to be keeping her patrons in check, Bales added.

"It's like they have a bylaw officer looking over their shoulder...they won't push their limit because they know I have been taught to judge how much a person can drink and how to deal with them if they start to act up."

Since 2006, when the training program was first established the liquor commission has seen 71,000 bar staff certified.

Inspectors will continue to check up on liquor establishments to make sure staff have the now mandatory certification cards. Fines will be levied or licences lost if bars, restaurants and lounges have unqualified servers.

"We don't really expect any problems. This was a recommendation made by the liquor industry after all," Hoffman said.



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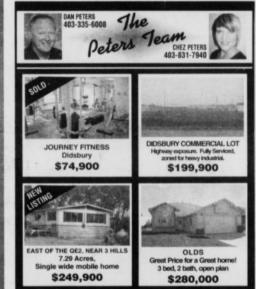


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Editorial

Military mission goals remain unfulfilled

DAN SINGLETON



Last week Prime Minister Stephen Harper reaffirmed his government's decision to withdraw Canadian soldiers from Afghanistan by the end of 2011.

MPs have already voted, in a split decision, to end Canada's

eight-year combat mission to the war-worn country, a military mission involving about 2,500 troops, most based around Kandahar.

We will not be undertaking any kind of activity that requires a significant military force protection, so it will become a strictly civilian mission," said Harper.

Since the military mission began in 2002, 138 Canadian soldiers have been killed and hundreds more wounded.

Whether announcing well beforehand that Canada's military deployment is ending will end up giving more comfort to the families of Canada's soldiers or to the Taliban insurgents and their terrorist network backers remains anyone's guess

On one hand, there's no question that confirming the end of the military mission 24 months in advance will ensure Conservative candidates won't be forced to fight the next federal election campaign with the spectre of more Canadian casualties hanging over their heads

Specifically, Harper will be able to argue that he has protected the lives of Canadian soldiers by pulling them out of harm's way, at least the harm they currently face from Taliban bullets and roadside bombs

On the other hand, essentially announcing the end of a war that hasn't been won and placing the burden of protecting the fledgling Afghanistan democracy in the hands of other countries makes some very big assumptions.

That is, does ending the military mission before the Afghanistan government is even capable of protecting its own people not play directly into the hands of the terrorists? Won't the Taliban now be able to 'wait out' the Canadians, biding their time until our soldiers leave and then simply seizing control of the vacated areas?

"No matter what differences people have on the mission, everybody agrees that the mission has the purpose to ensure that Afghanistan does not return to being a failed state that is an incubator of terrorism," said Harper.

Either the mission to Afghanistan, with its purported goal of protecting human rights, specifically the rights of Afghan women and girls, and denying it as a base for terrorists, is worth pursuing or it isn't.

With that said, the big question for Mr. Harper remains, how does quitting the war before it is won help to ensure the worthy goals of Canada's military mission are accomplished in the end?

And in any event, judging by the ongoing bombings and shootings in Afghanistan, anyone who thinks that Canada's military mission has already been accomplished is fooling himself.



Commentary

A Commitment to rural mail

Op-ed by Liberal Leader Michael Ignatieff and Liberal Rural Caucus Chair Mark Eyking

It's part of the fabric of every com munity in Canada - rural or urban, village or metropolis. Canadians cher-ish their access to mail service whether it's to their doorstep, at the roadside, or local post office.

Rural Canadians know that Canada Post is the most consistent and relimeans of communication, particularly in rural areas where highspeed internet access is far below national average

It's not just that mail service is an ssential part of the economic development of rural communities. Canadians love their mail service. It's part of who we are and how we stay connected with family and loved

Postal service to rural regions of the country is an integral part of Canada Post's universal service, and the government has a role to play in assuring this service is met

Unfortunately, the Conservative government does not understand this responsibility, despite the efforts of Liberal Members of Parliament to bring their constituents' messages of discontent to their attention. Since 2006, however, many rural

Canadians have lost or have had their rural mail services taken away. By doing nothing to stop the elimination of these services, the Conservative government has contributed to a growing divide between urban and rural Canada.

The Liberal Party of Canada believes that Canadians have the right to an equal service regardless of where in the country they live, and that rural Canadians who live in rural areas deserve the same quality of mail service as urban centres.

That's why this week, along with the members of the Liberal Rural Caucus, we announced legislation to amend the Canada Post Act and create a Rural Canadian Postal Service

part of this Charter, Liberals would place a moratorium on the clo-sure of rural post offices and restore rural roadside mail service that was in place as of September 2005.

We also want to improve Canada Post's community consultation and complaint resolution processes that service changes are flagged for Canadians six months in advance and customer concerns are addressed and resolved in a fair and timely manner.

This is an important step Liberals ant to take as part of a reinvigorated strategic approach at the federal level for ensuring rural Canadians can enjoy a quality standard life.

Because raising our families in sustainable rural communities means our services - even picking up the mail - should never be second-rate.

Michael Ignatieff is Leader of the Liberal Party of Canada; Mark Eyking is Chair of the Liberal Rural Caucus and Member of Partiament for Sydney-Victoria.

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Linda Sirr and Linda Regner

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PUBLIC MEETINGS & NOTICES

REGULAR TOWN COUNCIL MEETING:

Tuesday, January 12, 2010 at 7:00 pm in Council Chambers

MUNICIPAL PLANNING COMMISSION:

Wednesday, January 20, 2010 at 4:30 pm in Council Chambers

2010 BUDGET MEETING (for the Town of Didsbury): TBA

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Tuesday, January 12, 2010 at 6:30 pm in Council Chambers

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> Kim Boyd, Development Officer Alana Gibson, Development Officer

Rollout Cart Schedule January 2010

Rollout Cart Schedule February 2010

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In and Around Didsbury

Marge St Clair

Thurs, Jan. 14

Eldon Foote Hall at the Train Station will open at 1:30 p.m. for seniors for town and district to come and enjoy games, music and refreshments.

Sun. Jan. 17

Rosebud Hall is sponsoring a free family swim at the Didsbury Pool 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. followed by a potluck meal at the hall starting at 4 p.m. Bring the family "Grandpa" to enjoy a refreshing swim, soak hot tub and your favourite dish to share at the hall.

Tues. Jan. 19

Discover the world of massage. Learn in an informed session of all types and benefits of massage therapy. Registered massage therapists from the Didsbury Massage Clinic will be on hand to do a brief presentation at 12 p.m., as well as field questions about many modalities of body work. Bring your lunch, coffee and tea will be provided.

Thurs. Jan. 21

Rosebud Hall is having their Annual General Meeting starting at 7 p.m.

Mon. Jan. 25

Jam at the Didsbury Elks Hall from 7:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. to celebrate Robbie Burns Day with the guest band, The Rangers. More info by calling Shelley 403-335-9213 or Emily at 403-335-3896.

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You can win a basket of books for you and your family from Mountain View Community Literacy by stopping by your local library and checking out a book. Every time you visit, you can enter your name in the draw for a Basket of Books.

Wed. Jan. 27

The Community Bus will be making a Casino trip to Calgary, leaving the complex at 2:30 p.m. Phone Bea 335-3058 to reserve your seat.

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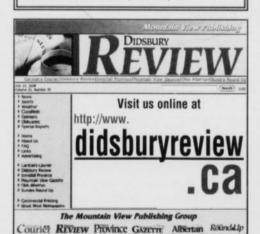
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Sun. Jan. 31

St. Anthony's Catholic Church is having the annual Turkey Supper from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. at the Zion Evangelical Missionary Church. Everyone welcome to come and enjoy

Sun. Feb. 7

Circle this date on your calendar now so that you don't miss the Turkey Supper at the Redeemer Lutheran Church from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.



Flu precautions still urged

BY TAMARA CUNNINGHAM

The province is urging Albertans to get vaccinated, even as restrictions in faith communities and long-term care facilities are being lifted.

Officials at Alberta Health Services saw the number of pandemic flu cases drop nationally by almost 40 per cent since outbreaks peaked late November.

As a result, the medical superboard has called off restric-tions held in place by organizations like St. Anthony's Catholic Church and Aspen Ridge Lodge since last fall.
"But by no means are we done with influenza for the sea-

son...this just means that the level of activity is lower in the community," said Dr. Judy MacDonald, deputy medical officer of health for the Calgary zone

She has seen Albertans grow lax in lining up for the vac-cine or practising handwashing and said the flu could hit the province with a third wave if people are not more careful. Claude Baril, permanent deacon for St. Anthony's Catholic

Church, said despite the lack of bans, parishioners are still being cautious about catching the pandemic flu virus.

In September the church drained a basin of holy water to prevent the spread of germs and called off practices like shaking hands in the gesture of peace or drinking the blood of Christ from a common chalice

There are people who wonder if we lifted the tions too soon...and there are people who are still not practising things because they are worried about catching the flu." Baril said.

He's noticed some parishioners who continue to bump knuckles instead of shaking hands and who bypass the common chalice.

Jeannette Leafloor, manager of Aspen Ridge Lodge, is noticing a different reaction after restrictions were lifted. Residents and staff seem less anxious and fearful about getting sick.

The lodge lifted its ban on large group events and tours of

children for the first time in seven months, last December. Since May 2009, groups of children under the age of 11 have been barred from visiting the lodge, for fear they could spread illness to vulnerable seniors

"None of our measures are in effect and I think we feel comfortable with that. We trust Alberta Health Services has their finger on the pulse of what's happening with infec-



Tracy Hound comforts daughter, Sydney Hound, 1, as she gets the pandemic vaccine. Alberta health officials continue to urge re to get the shot.

tions," Leafloor said.

Since the outbreak began last April, 69 people have died in

Alberta and 416 across the country.

The province has doled out 1.2 million immunizations, with 50,000 in the Calgary zone.

Health officials hope to wrap up the vaccination program before summer, MacDonald said.

"Right now people still need to look at getting the vaccine,

because you never know what will happen with H1N1."

Vaccinations will be available at the Didsbury Hospital between 8:45 a.m. and 3:40 p.m. January 13, 20 and 27 by appointment. The Didsbury Pharmasave is also offering the

Program goes way of the dinosaur

BY TAMARA CUNNINGHAM

Didsbury Review

The Royal Tyrrell Museum is parking its outreach program this year after nearly a decade on the

The mobile unit - which tours to communities in B.C. and Alberta each winter - teaches children about the history of dinosaurs through puzzles, games and crafts. It's saved schools from making

the field trip to Drumheller, though this is the last year it will be able to

The program's sponsor, Shell Canada, hasn't renewed its con-tract because of rising costs, said

Megan McLauchlin, science educator at the Royal Tyrrell Museum.

To fill the gap, the museum plans to offer long distance learning to schools with video conferencing equipment. Tapping into screen-to-screen programs isn't the same as offering hands-on teachings, but it was the best alternative, McLauchlin said.

The last outreach tour will make 16 rounds to schools this January, including Ross Ford on January 14.

Janet Gole, a Grade 4 teacher at the school, said her students are bubbling with excitement.

"They love anything to do with dinosaurs and fossils, so this is really great," she said.

"But I didn't know this was the last time it was going to come here...this is our first time having the outreach program and I would have liked to see it again."

Gole said the school only allows one field trip for students each year and the Tyrrell Museum doesn't always make the cut - especially because it's farther away than other attractions such as the Telus World of Science.

Having it come to the classroom saves Gole from having to make tough choices and her students, from long travel.

"Perhaps another company will sponsor this in the future..." she

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Some of you may remember that we've worked on a project like this before. But there are some significant differences between what was done in the past and what is ahead of us today.

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- In February, we'll be hosting 12 open houses where stakeholders can learn more about the proposed project and
- In March, we'll open information centres in various locations throughout the project area so stakeholders can discuss the project with AltaLink representatives one-on-one

We've developed a new consultation group within the last couple of years, whose sole focus is creating and implementing public involvement programs that are meaningful to stakeholders and effective in gathering their input. We're at the beginning of a comprehensive consultation program, which will include open houses, information centres and one-on-one consultations. Your input is important in shaping this project, and we hope to hear from you.

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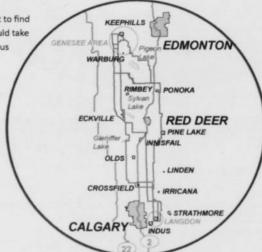
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The potential red route options in the map above are only preliminary and are intended to provide a focus for stakeholder input. Through the for consideration. None of these options have been approved. If approved. AltaLink will build only one line

Spirit urged for Olympic flame arrival

BY ANDREW WILD

That's what organizers of local Olympic Torch Relay celebrations are hoping they can say after the arrival of the cross-country tour by the Olympic flame this

Both Bowden and Olds will have a brief visit by the Vancouver-bound flame on Saturday morning and local organizers in both communities are hoping that resi dents will rise early in the a.m. to greet the eternal symbol of the Olympic games.

"We really want people to come down and cheer (the torchbearers) on," said Leon Durand, co-chair for Uptowne Olds, the group charged with organizing a welcome for the flame.

"I think it could be a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity because we may or may not see it ever again in Olds,

This year's tour marks the second appearance for the flame, having stopped in Olds as part of the 1988 Calgary Olympics torch relay.

According to the relay schedule the torch will be arriving in Olds at 8:17 a.m. and departing by 8:38. The

run will start at the town office heading west down Hwy 27 and turning south on 50th Avenue. Local residents Dave Harris and Dan Wourms will have the honour of carrying the flame through the community

As part of the celebrations the organizers will be handing out free tuques and flags to people who attend the event while a number of banners will be hung from light standards to welcome the relay runners. There will also be a 16-foot Olympic banner for residents to sign that will be hung in the Sports Complex after the

A tent will also be set up in the Alberta Treasury Branch parking lot featuring free hot chocolate, coffee and Timbits. There will also be displays featuring luge and skeleton sleds from Canada Olympic Park in Calgary with hopes a bobsleigh will also be part of the setup, along with various items from Olympic sponsor

There will also be displays featuring past Olympic paraphernalia and other local torch runners from past relays as well as the current one

Organizers have also reached out to all the Chinook's Edge schools for a judged banner competition. The top banner in each of three categories – kindergarten to Grade 4; Grade 5 to Grade 8; Grade 9 to Grade 12 - will

be rewarded with a pizza party

Durand said a lot of work has gone on behind the scenes in a very short time considering the business group began working on the details just before the busy Christmas season.

"We found out about it very, very late," he suggested. 'And before Christmas it's tough to get a bunch of retailers together to organize something.

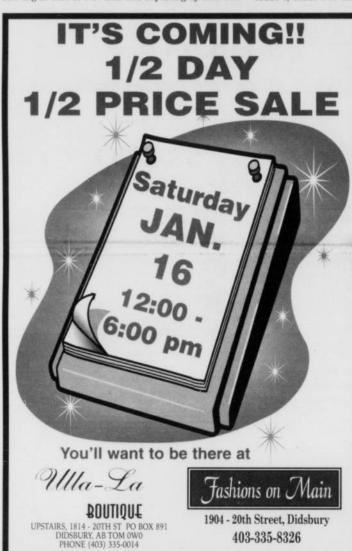
Preceding the Olds event, the torch will be making its way through Bowden with a short run down the town's main street. The torch will arrive at 7:51 a.m. on the west end of 20th Avenue and will be carried by Wetaskiwin residents Darren Reilly and Bill Anderson

eastward to the QE II Highway.

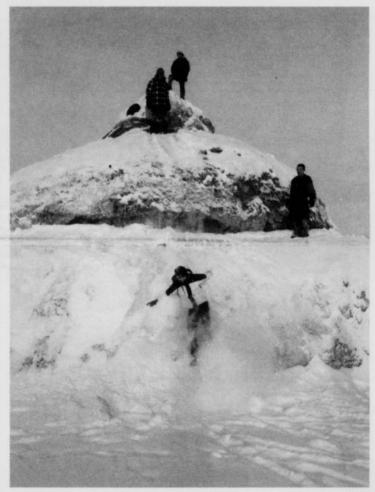
There will be a community get-together at the Lions Hall following the relay with hot chocolate as well as the opportunity to view artwork created by Bowden

Grandview School students.

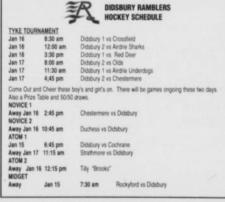
Jade Prefontaine, a member of the organizing committee, said the flame will only be in the community for a short visit but encourages all Bowden residents to come downtown by 7:30 a.m. to ensure they don't miss the relay. Canadian tuques and flags are available for purchase at the town office to help locals show their colours for the relay.

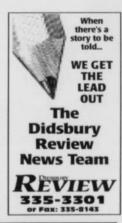






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4-H catches up

Christmas has come and gone but was a busy season even for those involved in 4-H. The Outlaws 4-H Horse Club celebrated the season by going skating at the Didsbury Arena. After skating we went back to the Rosebud Hall for a fantastic potluck supper and a secret Santa gift exchange. It was exciting to see the different gifts the members received.

January will be busy. The first week in January we attended a multi-judging clinic at Bev and Murray Rasmussen's farm. Their farm is located east of Didsbury. At this clinic, the members attending were able to learn how to judge cattle, horses, sheep and snowmobiles. We have a multi-judging competition in Olds later in the month. The clinic helped us all to prepare for the competition. In December we had a public speaking clinic booked but had to cancel this due to cold weather and road conditions. We held this clinic on January 4th at Lone Pine Hall and invited the Prairie Partners to join it. Edith and Stephanie, the Mountain View 4-H District key members organized this clinic for us.

The fall was busy. We held a dress-up ride with games and snacks. It was fun because the kids dressed up themselves and their horses. Some of the costumes included pumpkins, Little Red Riding Hood, Indians, Zorro, angels, devils and a hula girl. There were lots of prizes supplied by Open Rein. Some of the games we played were water in a cup, the slow race, command class and barrel racing.

We are still collecting batteries for recycling. Call Dave at (403) 507-1852 to arrange a pickup.
-Submitted by Carissa Fruson

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Colts scramble to secure draw

BY TAMARA CUNNINGHAM

Didsbury Review

The Colts were locked into a fierce battle with the Stettler Lightning, Saturday, as they struggled to break a

In the first period, winger Kody Wickham popped a rebound into the net for a 1-1 tie and sparked retaliation from the Lightning players.
"We usually intimidate teams

"We usually intimidate teams ... they are scared to play us because we hammer the D-men," Wickham said.

"These guys gave as good as they got - which they've never done before."

Last weekend, the Colts won 3-2 against the Lightning

after banging the team so hard their opponents looked

"We stole the show in their barn and I think they came back tonight wanting to make sure we knew we could-n't push them around," said Coach Cliff Murphy.

The Lightning kept the game against the boards and the bulk of second period play in the Colts' end zone. Still, they were unable to score against goalie Jason Arnason to take the lead.

The teams were pinned to a tie – neither able to break away to net a goal.

"It ended up being a pretty slow, pretty sloppy game. We were lucky to get a tie out of it," Wickham said.

"I think the guys stopped working out there, they got

This was the second game of the new year and

Murphy said the boys are still working off the holiday

They had to rely on Arnason to make big saves and allowed their opponents to take over the game in the second period - things they normally wouldn't have let happen, Murphy said.

'If it was a 60 minute game like it was last week, it ould have been an easy win but it wasn't.

Nevertheless, he isn't being too hard on his team. The Colts are continuing to turn their season around with a

6-13-3 score and are on the cusp on playoffs.

"This was a young team and they've come a lot farther than I thought they would," Murphy said.

We are so close to being one of the top teams in the



PUSHING THROUGH - Lorain Bulk pushes through some Olds Spartans to put one in the net for the Didsbury Dragons. Spartans beat the Dragons 39-21.

JV Dragons soaring over first win

Boys show talent

BY TAMARA CUNNINGHAM Didsbury Review

a long losing streak this season, the DHS JV boys basketball team is starting to make

And nothing showed that more than their first win during the Didsbury junior varsity tournament last weekend.

The team took a hard loss against St. Joseph's Collegiate Friday with a 72-14 loss, before squeaking by with a 39-32 win against St. Dominic's High School. The Dragons lost their final game 82-32 to Acme High School to place last in the tourna-

But the team is far from feeling low about their effort on the hardcourt.

"We are feeling pretty confident about winning a . it was one of the better plays we've had all season. We've practised hard and matured a little and I think that showed," forward Sawyer

Topping.
Topping said there has

been some pressure for the team following in the footsteps of last year's power JV team. The group vas unbeatable for league play for the last two years and won zones in 2009 by 40 points. They've now stepped up to the senior

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SAWYER TOPPING

level, leaving a green roster to fill their gym shoes.

"There were some real good guys on that team, like James Lefebvre and Keifer Paulgaard, and big definitely do that eventually," Topping said.

At the tournament, sev-eral junior talents worked the hardcourt to net points, including Topping and point guard Austin Vandenhoven.

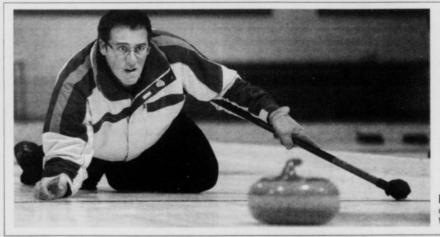
This weekend we took a lot of big steps towards becoming more competi-tive in this league....and I think with these players starting to show potential we will do well this year," said coach Rob Pinte.

There are seven games left before zones and the team is eager to get there. Pinte said with a little work on offence and com-munication, the team could secure a spot in the regional playoffs.

"And if we don't, that's OK. We'll be a stronger

team for it next year."

The JV girls team, who also played in the tournament Friday and Saturday, lost all three games. St. Dominic High School beat the team 56-30 on the first day of the tournament. On Saturday the girls lost 50-31 to Notre Dame Collegiate and 39-21 against Olds High School.



Bonspiel rocks

The Didsbury Farm and Ranch Bonspiel that ran from Jan. 4 to came to a close Saturday.

Taking the top spot for the A event was the Mark Kendze rink, which includes Kendze, Larry Flessatti, Gary Richards and Lorne Hershberger. The Dennis Roemmele rink took first in the B class. Brian Krall, Roemmele, Gene Leonard and Shannon Chapin made up the

In the C event, the top placing went to the Brent Pochapsky rink, with Pochapsky, Jim Brown, Barry McBeath and Dan Wiebe and the D event the Rick Phillips, Jr. rink took top hon-ours with Phillips, Kent Clifford, Tracy Luft and Wendy Leask all members of the team.

ROCKIN' MAYOR - Didsbury Mayor Brian Wittal throws a rock for his rink during the A Event final at the Didsbury Farmer and Rancher Bonspiel, Saturday. Wittal's rink was bested by the Mark Kenzie Agro Olds rink.

Get the full REVIEW



Police ask public's help to solve assault

BY MARK LAYCOCK

Didsbury RCMP are asking for the public's assistance in finding the man responsible for an assault at Barley's Pub last October.

Sgt. Jeff Jacobson says that police have decided to release security camera photos of the suspect after exhausting all avenues in finding the individual.

Jacobson said the police had some leads early on, including interviewing an individual who looked similar to the sus-

BY TAMARA CUNNINGHAM

Hit and runs high

in the crime this year.

there were 48.

still in the works.

Police are considering new measures to catch drivers

who hit and run, after witnessing a 50 per cent increase

"Looking at the stats, we are seeing a significant increase in this (area)," said Sgt. Jeff Jacobson.

"It's definitely concerning that people are not taking responsibility for collisions."

Last year, 23 hit and runs were reported in this jurisdic

Jacobson is hoping to reduce the crime by partnering

with auto repair shops and other businesses that can

detect vehicles involved in a crash. The new measure is

tion, which includes Didsbury and Carstairs. In 2009,

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pect, but after ruling him out, are now looking for more clues.

The incident occurred on Oct. 23 at about 11:30 p.m. Police and EMS crews were dispatched to the pub after local man Josh Thompson was attacked on the street, leaving him with serious injuries.

Police say that earlier that evening the suspect had a dispute with a couple of Thompson's friends. After the suspect left the bar, Thompson went outside to confront him.

Thompson told the

Courier last October that when he went outside the pub, the suspect attempted to run him down with a vehicle. The suspect then got out of the car and started to attack Thompson with a blunt object.

The 28-year-old was taken to Foothills Medical Centre in Calgary with a compressed skull fracture. He spent four hours in surgery as doctors bridged his skull back together. He was released a short time later and is continuing to recover.

Following the attack

the suspect fled the scene in a silver four-door car described as possibly being a Pontiac Grand Am or Grand Prix. The suspect is described as a white male in his early 30s to 40s. He has brown hair and is balding, has a pock-marked faced with a mustache, stands approximately five foot 10 inches tall with a medium build and was wearing jeans and a grey long-sleeved shirt.

Jacobson says that police have begun looking outside of Carstairs for the suspect.

"We would have antici-

pated by now that we would have identified the person if they were from Carstairs. We talked to numerous people and lots of construction workers in the area as well in case he was a transient and at this point and nobody has been able to possibly identify him."

Anyone with any information regarding the incident is asked to contact Didsbury RCMP at (403)-335-3382 or call anonymously to Central Alberta Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS



Photo submitted
Police are looking for this man,
suspected in the assault of a
Carstairs man on Oct. 23 at
Barley's Pub.

Police briefs

Impaired driver arrested

Police caught up to a 28-year-old woman from Hobbema Jan 1, who struck a parked vehicle and allegedly driving away without paying for gas.

The woman, who had pulled up to the Fas Gas in Didsbury to fill up, hit a vehicle and drove off, "acting oddly," witnesses told police.

"We had calls that she could be impaired and anytime you get a call like that you want to find the person as quickly as possible" said Set. Left Jacobson

quickly as possible," said Sgt. Jeff Jacobson.

Forty minutes later, on Hwy 582, they pulled the driver over. She was charged with a list of violations including impaired driving, having open liquor in the vehicle and failing to produce license and registration.

Driver who bolted, caught

A 22-year-old, who hit a parked semi trailer and then bolted, was caught after seeking repairs at a local auto body shop.

The man was charged for not reporting the collision that happened on 19th Street, December 18, and for failing to drive in the centre of the traffic lane.

The charges also include a mandatory court date.

Hit and run driver sought

Police are asking for the public's help in finding a driver who hit an SUV parked along Southridge Crescent, December 27.

The crime happened between 7 p.m. and midnight, when the driver hit the rear door of a 2009 Honda Pilot. The damage is estimated to be \$500.

Intersections patrolled

This month police are keeping a sharp eye out for intersection blunders.

"We are looking for drivers that run red lights, roll through stop signs or speed through intersections.... the last thing we want to see is a collision that could be avoided," said Sgt. Jeff Jacobson.

In 2009, police charged 47 drivers for intersection related offences and 40 in 2008.

Police could partner with local sheriffs and peace officers to step up patrols in Didsbury and Carstairs.

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Mrs. Lila Joyce Lashmore, beloved wife of Wayne Lashmore of Water Valley, passed away at the Foothills Hospital in Calgary on December 30, 2009 at the age of 61 wager.

of 63 years. by her husband, Wayne, of 43 years, her daughter Shannon and sons, Scott (Pamela) and Kris (Dacia). Her mem-

ory will be children: C be further cherished by her six grand-Cole, Connor, Lane, Drew, Kaidence and Abbie

Lila is survived by her mother Ethel May of Olds, as well as by four brothers and four sisters and a

large extended family.
She was predeceased by her father, Wilson Boyd

She was predeceased by her father, Wilson Boyd May and sister, June Price.

Lila was born to parents Wilson Boyd and Ethel May on September 4, 1946 at the General Hospital in Calgary. She attended school in Cremona and grew up in the area. She was active in sports and enjoyed baseball and curling. She loved bingo and played every chance she could. She trained to become a stengarapher and worked She trained to become a stenographer and worked in the secretarial field for a few years. Although they attended the same school, it was later in life when she and Wayne Lashmore became a couple. They married in 1966. As a young couple, they moved around the first few years before they settled back in Cremona. Lila stayed home to raise her shilders. She worked off and on as a cook. tled back in Cremona. Lila stayed home to raise her children. She worked off and on as a cook. During this time, she made some great lifelong friends. In the late 80's, Lila and Wayne bought a farm west of Water Valley. As a couple they had the opportunity to renew their vows before Lila started to get ill. She battled for many years with diabetes and the complications it caused. Lila diabetes and the complications it caused. Lila was an avid sports fan, loyal to the last moments of every game for every moment of her life. Family was everything to her, she enjoyed planning family reunions and all the holidays. She truly enjoyed having her family around and ensured that everyone was thought of on their birthday and all special occasions. She was much loved by all who knew her and will be dearly loved by all who knew her and will be dearly

At Lila's request her family will hold a private family gathering. If friends so desire memorial donations in Lila Lashmore's memory may be directed to the Canadian Diabetes Association #6, 5015 - 48 Street, Red Deer, AB T4N 1S9 Condolences can be forwarded to the family at www.mountainviewfuneralchapel.com. Arrangement are entrusted to Mountain Funeral Chapel, 5226 – 46 Street, Olds AB 1B8. Phone 403 556 3223. 46 Street, Olds AB T4H



Neufeld, Mary

Mary Neufeld of Didsbury Alberta, passed away peacefully at Red Deer Regional Hospital in the early morning of January 7, 2010, at the age of 85. Mom was born on April 10, 1924 near Plum Coulee, Manitoba. She lived with her large blend-ed family on her father's farm. During her youth, ed family on her father's farm. During ner youin, she enjoyed her church youth group, sewing courses and 4-H leadership. On July 14, 1945, she married Cornelius Nickel. They lived at Kronsthal, Manitoba, where their first two children were born. In April of 1955, they bought their own farm in Killarney. Here, two more children were born into their family. A foster daughter also joined the family there. In 1974, they ter also joined the family there. In 1974, they retired from the farm and moved into town. They enjoyed travelling and their many friends. After dad passed away in 1979, Mom moved to Alberta, and married John Neufeld. Together, they travelled extensively with family and friends, cross-ing Canada, with many trips into the States. After John's passing, she maintained her passion for her children, grandchildren, friends, church and gardening, She shared her table with many people, always providing food and fellowship for whoever came to her door. She is fondly remembered by her children, Leonard (Myrna) Nickel, Gladys (Les) Hogland, Harold (Doris) Nickel, Ray (Barb) Nickel and Brenda (Jim) Dodman, ten grandchildren and five great-grandchildren along with extended family.

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7, 2009. She was born in Didsbury to Peter and Marie Loewen on Mar. 14, 1917, grew up east of town and moved to Rosemary in 1937. Church was a very important part of her life. On confession of her faith in Jesus Christ as her Saviour, she was baptized and then joined the Bergthal Mennonite Church. Here she met the love of her life, Henry Loewen. They were married on Oct. 30, 1938. After several years and several moves, they settled on a farm east of Didsbury until retirement, then to College Green in Didsbury. Together they enjoyed many trips in Didsbury. Together they enjoyed many trips and camping. After Henry passed away, Justina moved to Sunrise Village in Olds. There she added many new friends to her roster - it was a

added many new triends to ner toster - it was a good place to be.

She was known for her generous hospitality, friendly smiles, waves and warm hugs.

Dearly loved and missed by her daughters Marlene (Ike) Wiebe; Mary (Jim) Dyck, Alma (Art) Wiebe and Elsie Loewen; eight grandchildren, 16 great-grandchildren and one great-great grandchildren one brother. Cornie (Francis) -grandchild; one brother Cornie (Francis) Loewen and one sister Susie Coles. Predeceased by her husband Henry and one son-

redeceased by ner husband Henry and one son-in-law Isaac (Ike) Wiebe. A memorial service was held at Bergthal Mennonite Church on Dec. 11, 2009. In memory of Justina, donations may be made to the Mennonite Central Committee, #210, 2946 -32 St NE, Calgary, AB., T1Y 6J7.

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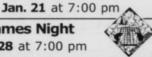
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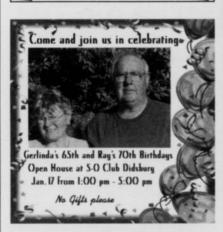
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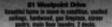
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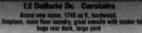
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